GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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ENCOURAGEMENT OF APICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps undertaken by the Government to encourage apiculture industry in the country;

(b) the number of projects regarding apiculture received from various States including West Bengal during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the number of proposals cleared and pending for clearance as on date; and

(d) by when the remaining projects are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is implementing various programmes for encouraging apiculture in the country. The programmes include:

1. Training on skill upgradation for Apis Mellifera and Cerana.

2. Skill upgradation for Apis Dorssata.

3. Quality upgradation by processing Honey, through Scientific Honey Processing Units.

Besides, the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture – Supplementation/Complementation of State. Effort through Work Plan under which Development of Beekeeping for Improving Crop Productivity is one of the programmes. The programme is implemented by the identified State Designated Agencies based on the Annual Work Plan. The NHB is also providing assistance for the promotion of beekeeping through their scheme on Development of Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management.

(b)&(c): The State-wise details regarding number of projects sanctioned by the KVIC and NHB during the last three years is given in Annexure-I. No projects were received from West Bengal.

(d): No projects are pending clearance.

Annexure-I

Details of Projects sanctioned for Apiculture

S.NO.	NAME OF THE STATE	NO. OF PROJECT	
		KVIC	NHB
1.	NAGALAND	39	-
2.	MEGHALAYA	3	-
3.	ASSAM	4	-

4. ARUNACHAL PRADESH 4 -

5. MANIPUR 3 -
6. ORISSA 4 -

7 ANDHRA PRADESH 3 -

8. KERALA 49 -

9. UTTRANCHAL 37 1
10. TAMIL NADU (MADURAI) 23 -
11. HARYANA 10 -
12. TAMIL NADU (CHENNAI) 17 -
13. RAJASTHAN - 8
14. UTTAR PRADESH - 3

TOTAL 239 12